

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner is requested to approve the accompanying amendments to the specification and claims.

Amendments to the Specification

The specification, as filed, has been amended at paragraphs [0017], [0024], and [0064] to reflect the proper numbering of the described compounds. For example at paragraph [0024], the mannose derivative produced in step (f) should have a different numbering scheme than the mannitol starting material. More specifically, after oxidation to the mannose derivative, the product is correctly described as a **5**-oxamoylamino-D-mannose derivative, not a **2**-oxamoylamino-D-mannose derivative. Further, at paragraph [0024], the product of step (g) is “2,3:4,6-di-O-isopropylidene-kifunensine”. However, at step (h) the same compound is incorrectly described as “**5,6:7,8**-di-O-isopropylidene-kifunensine” when it is used in subsequent reactions. Applicants note that the only amendments to paragraphs [0017], [0024], and [0064] are to reflect the proper numbering of the described compounds. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 17 has been amended to reflect the proper numbering of the described compounds. New claims 25 and 26 have been added and are directed to processes of claims 11 and 24, respectively, wherein R^3 is a “silyl group or an ester group”. Support for claims 25 and 26 can be found at, for example, claim 1. Claims 25 and 26 are allowable because they merely further specify the claimed subject matter of allowed claims 11 and 24. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

Typographical Errors in Publication

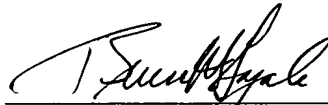
Applicants note that the structure of compound 3 is incorrect as it appears in Examples 2-4 of the published application. In particular, compound 3, as it appears in paragraphs [0079], [0081], and [0083] of the published application contains an extra methylene unit. Further, Applicants note that “kifunensine” is misspelled at the first line of

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paragraph [0003] and the first line of paragraph [0004] of the published application. The application as filed with the Office does not contain these errors. Applicants note that paragraphs [0079], [0081], and [0083] of the published application correspond to paragraphs [0056], [0057], and [0058], respectively, of the application as filed.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

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